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Appropriate NDC Code

## CRITERIA FOR PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

			(Item or Procedure Here)
			Actiq® (fentanyl citrate)
			(Item or Procedure Here)
PROVIDER GROUP:		Pharmacy	
MANUAL G	UIDELINES:	The following drug Actiq®	g requires prior authorization:
CRITERIA: (	must meet all o	of the following)	
1.	Must be prescribed by Oncologist or pain specialist who are knowledgeable of and skilled in the use of Schedule II opioids to treat cancer pain.		
2.	Patient must have a diagnosis of malignant cancer.		
3.	Patient must be at least 16 years old.		
4.	Patient must already be receiving opioid therapy and considered opioid tolerant (defined as taking at least 60 mg morphine/day, 50mcg transdermal fentanyl/hour, or an equianalgesic dose of another opioid for a week or longer).		
5.	Quantity limit of 4 units per day.		
Drug Utilization Review Committee Director			Pharmacy Program Manager, Division of Health Policy and Finance
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